

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 360

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Hale Moss of Wilson County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Hale Moss; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moss was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a legend in Wilson County, Hale Moss was a well-known business owner and community leader, respected and loved by so many who now mourn his passing; and

WHEREAS, Hale Moss served with acumen and alacrity for over thirty years as president of the Wilson County Fair, a successful and beloved event that benefited greatly from his leadership; and

WHEREAS, during his more than three decades at the helm of Wilson County Fair operations, Mr. Moss cultivated a positive environment built on the philosophy of hard work and community involvement; he was responsible for interacting with and coordinating many of the fair's volunteers each year, and he always did so with integrity and graciousness; and

WHEREAS, Hale Moss was largely responsible for the Wilson County Fair's recent addition of Fiddlers Grove Historic Village, the mission of which is to preserve the history of the citizens of Wilson County, specifically buildings, artifacts, and oral and written histories, while engaging the public through interpretation, education, and exhibitions; and

WHEREAS, for thirty-nine years, Mr. Moss, along with his family members, owned and operated Moss' Florist and Garden Center in Mount Juliet, a landmark small business that served the community well during its nearly four-decade run; and

WHEREAS, a man with a passion for agriculture, Mr. Moss enjoyed educating others about food sourcing and the importance of agriculture generally; the James E. Ward Agricultural Center was particularly important to him; and

WHEREAS, for a time, Mr. Moss served as the Tennessee Department of Agriculture director of fairs and livestock shows; he also enjoyed a four-year stint, beginning in 1970, teaching at Lebanon High School; and

WHEREAS, Hale Moss was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moss leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Hale Moss, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Moss.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.